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Please introduce new claims 70-72 as follows:

-70.(new) The method of claim 47, wherein the anti-RAGE antibody specifically binds a V-domain of RAGE.--

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-71.(new) The method of claim 47, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody or a polyclonal antibody.--

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-72.(new) The method of claim 47, wherein the antibody is a chimeric antibody, a humanized antibody or a primatized antibody.--

REMARKS

Claims 47-52 and 55-68 are pending. Claims 48, 49, 51 and 52 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer to applicants' right to pursue the subject matter of those claims in a future continuation or divisional application. Claim 47 is amended and support for this amendment is on page 14, lines 28-35. Support for new claims 70-72 is found *inter alia* in the specification, on page 14, lines 28-35. These amendments raise no issue of new matter.

Exhibit A attached hereto sets forth claim 47 with annotations indicating the amendments made herein.